

Please amend claim 8, and add new claims 11 through 20 as follows.

8. (Amended) A liquid crystal display comprising:

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- (a) [a liquid crystal cell comprising a first transparent substrate and a second transparent substrate forming respective walls of said liquid crystal cell;]
b)] a polarizer layer;
(b[c]) an analyzer layer;
(c) a liquid crystal cell having a first transparent substrate and a second transparent substrate forming respective walls of said liquid crystal cell, said liquid crystal cell disposed between said polarizer layer and said analyzer layer; and
(d) a monolithic compensator in accordance with a specified one of claims 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20 disposed between said polarizer layer and said analyzer layer [claim 2].

-- 11. (New) A monolithic compensator for a liquid crystal display comprising:

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- (a) a first deposited thin-film compensator layer having a first surface;
(b) a second thin-film compensator layer deposited onto said first surface of said first compensator layer. --

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-- 12. (New) The monolithic compensator of claim 11, wherein one or more thin-film layers of material are deposited between said first deposited thin-film compensator layer and said second deposited thin-film compensator layer. --

1 -- 13. (New) The monolithic compensator of claim 11, wherein each of said first and said
2 second deposited thin-film compensator layers are selected from the group consisting of a
3 positively birefringent O-plate compensator layer, a positively birefringent A-plate
4 compensator layer, a negatively birefringent A-plate compensator layer, and a negatively
5 birefringent C-plate compensator layer. --

1 -- 14. (New) The monolithic compensator of claim 12, wherein at least one of said one or more
2 thin-film layers of material is a deposited alignment layer. --

1 -- ³15. (New) The monolithic compensator of claim ²12, wherein at least one of said one or more
2 thin-film layers is a deposited thin-film compensator layer. --

1 -- 16. (New) The monolithic compensator of claim 15, wherein said at least one of said one or
2 more thin-film layers is a deposited thin-film compensator layer selected from the group
3 consisting of a positively birefringent O-plate compensator layer, a positively birefringent
4 A-plate compensator layer, a negatively birefringent A-plate compensator layer, and a
5 negatively birefringent C-plate compensator layer. --

1 -- 17. (New) A compensator element for a liquid crystal display comprising:

(a) an optically transparent substrate; and